(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the expenditure involved therein and the year by which this scheme is likely to be completed;

(d) whether there is any delay in the execution of the works under this scheme; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (c). Do not arise.

Supply of Essential Commodities in Delhi

994. SHRI B.L. SHARAMA PREM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the residents of Delhi have to face great difficulties due to untimely supply of essential commodities to the Fair Price Shops by the government in Delhi, particularly in trans-Yamuna areas;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any complaints in this regard have been received by the government;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the seps being taken by the government to ensure the timely supply of essential items to the Fair Price Shops for Public convenience?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF MINISTRY OF CILVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (e). The average monthly distribution of rice and wheat in the PDS in Delhi has been of the order of 14, 000 tonnes and 47, 200 tonnes respestitively during the year 1990. During the month of October, 1991, a quantity of 22, 900 tonnes of rice and 77, 000 tonnes wheat has been supplied. Whilst in an operation of this magnitude, some dislocation can take place and complaints made about them, all efforts are made to take corrective action so that supplies reach the fair price shops. A coordination Committee consisting of representatives of the FCI and Delhi State Civil Supplies Corporation has been constituted to sort out operational problems and closely monitor the system of delivery of foodgrains and sugar to fair price shops.

[*English*]

Modification of Constitution (Amendment) Bills

995. DR. LAXMINARAIN PANDEYA:
DR. A.K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Council of Mayors (AICM) has suggested certain modifications in the two Constitution (Amendment) Bills seeking to strengthen the local bodies; and

(b) if so,the details thereof and the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b). Yes Sir. The All India Council of Mayors had made some suggestions with reference to the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, relating to Urban Local Bodies. The suggestions are briefly given in the statement attached. These suggestions were taken into consideration by the govern-